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In re Application of: Danny C. Bowman, et al.

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Examiner: Yelena G. Gakh

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For: PAPERLESS CHAIN OF CUSTODY EVIDENCE FOR LAB SAMPLES (Appeal No.

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REQUEST FOR REMAND

It is noted that a docketing notice for this application has been entered dated August 24, 2009, and assigned the above-referenced appeal number. This application has been before the Board of Appeals previously as Appeal No. 2009-2011, and a Board Decision of April 20, 2009, remanded the application to the examiner. At page 5 of the remand order, the Board said "if the examiner files a supplemental examiner's answer, the appellants must respond by either requesting reopening the prosecution before the examiner, or by filing a reply brief to maintain the appeal. Subsequently, on May 11, 2009, the examiner issued a supplemental examiner's answer and applicant responded by filing an amendment reopening prosecution on June 24, 2009. Since applicant opted to reopen prosecution, it is believed that the appropriate response is for the examiner to act on applicant's amendment. Instead, the Patent Office response appears to be the docketing of appeal number 2009-014382. Accordingly, it is appropriate to remand this application to the examiner to act on the amendment filed on June 24, 2009.

A remand is respectfully requested.

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